Metro Railway in Delhi

4218. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken by Government to provide metro railway in Delhi to cater to the increasing needs of commuters in Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the working out of the tube railway project is left to Delhi Government; and

(d) by when the project is likely to take off and what is the budget provision made for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) A Feasibility Study conducted by M|s Rail India Technical & Economic Services (RITES) in 1991 recommended introduction of a Multi-Modal Mass Rapid Transit System in Delhi over a distance of 184.5 kms. to be implemented in two phases. However, subsequently, based on the discussions held between the M|o Urban Affairs & Employment and the Government of NCT of Delhi, the following modified route alignment for Phase-I of the project (55.5 kms.) has been proposed:

(i) 11 kms. of the Undreground (North-South Corridor) along Delhi University — Old Sect. — ISBT — Connaught Place — Central Sectt.

(ii) 19.5 kms. of At Grade|Elevated Railway (North — West Corridors) along Subzimandi — New Azadpur — Holambi Kalan.

(iii) 25 kms. of At Grade|Elevated Railway (East — West Corridor) along Shahdara — ISBT — Rampura — Nangloi.

The estimated cost of the modified Phase-I is approximately Rs. 4027 crores (excluding the cost of land) at 1994-95 prices.

The Government of India has approved 'in principle' in July, 1994 the introduction of Mass Rapid Transit System in Delhi. The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the project is presently under preparation by M|s. RITES and is likely to be completed shortly. The exact investment pattern of the project will be decided after consideration of the Detailed Project Report (DPR) by Government.

The launching of the project would be possible only after necessary financial resources in the form of share capital, loan and revenue to be raised from other sources are fully tied up.

Loan for treatment of contaminated water

4219. SHRI HIPHEI: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some States and Union Territories have requested HUDCO for loan for treatment of contaminated water in various cities;

(b) if so, the details of such requests made in 1993-94 State and Union Territory-wise;

(c) whether HUDCO has advanced any loan in this respect;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government propose to ask HUDCO to provide such loan on priority basis on requests as and when received from States of North Eastern Region; and

(f) if so, the details and if not, the reasons therefore?